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### Brigham City Citizen Comment Card

We would appreciate your comments (good or bad) relating to services provided by the City and/or information you would like to know in future newsletters. Also, please let us know if we've done something you liked. If you have concerns or questions about City services please feel free to contact us at 734-6600 or complete the following questionnaire and return it to City Hall. Note: We take all your comments seriously. Please give us your name, address, and telephone number so we can follow-up and answer your concerns. See us at: [www.brighamcity.utah.gov](http://www.brighamcity.utah.gov).

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# BRIGHAM CITY MAYOR'S OFFICE

Spring Newsletter

Sharon Brailsford - Editor

2007



## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Citizens,

The best part of being Brigham City's mayor is the opportunity to work with exceptional individuals. One of those people I have served with over the past ten years is Council Member Jon Adams. His knowledge in all areas of Public Works is unsurpassed. His many years of experience working for Salt Lake City as their Waste Treatment Manager as well as serving as Brigham City's Waste Treatment and Water Superintendent have benefited Brigham City. We will miss his wit, keen mind, dependable nature and his dedication. We wish him well in his new employment opportunity.

Recently, I've been impressed with City directors and supervisory personnel. The last several months we've had the opportunity of working through the Mayor's City budget for the FY 2007-'08 year. When the initial capital requests were submitted, the budget gap was over \$6 million. After conservatively prioritizing these capital requests, the gap was still over \$735,000. City Administrator Bruce Leonard, City Finance Director Dennis Sheffield and I met with all the City supervisory personnel. We explained to them the tight budget situation and asked every department to cut an overall percentage from their budget. Two weeks later, when we met with each group, many had met with their departments and together, figured out ways to cut their costs. Working as a City team, we were able to find the areas that could be cut.

I am truly proud to be mayor of a City that exemplifies such dedicated supervisory leaders willing to address the tight budget challenge with a team approach. Presentation of the Mayor's Budget was held on April 5 and turned over to the City Council and Mayor Pro Tem Holly Bell for further refinement. An earlier public hearing on the budget was held on January 18 to take input before we started the budget process. A public hearing is set for May 31 to hear comment from citizens. Based on the certified tax rate, the FY 2007/08 budget will be adopted on either June 21 or August 2, 2007.



Since all departments were asked to cut costs, the Mayor's budget was also cut. We've decided to send the newsletter out three times a year instead of four times. We appreciate the many positive comments we've received regarding the newsletter and we hope to be able to keep you just as updated. Everyday Heroes will now be recognized every four months through this newsletter.

We've also been implementing a performance based management program over the past five years. This past year, we adopted a computer based program that allows supervisory personnel to track progress towards goals and record both positive and negative comments regarding employee performance. Those employees with salaries under market who have high performance scores will be moved faster to market. Those over market will also be given an increase in pay that rolls back into their salary. The challenge is to get all employees' salaries up to the prevailing market rate. To establish the market rate, each City job description is compared to similar positions in cities equivalent in size to Brigham City. Employees are rewarded based upon their performance, not longevity. Those supervisory personnel who have taken this on as a new challenge are seeing positive results within their departments. The proposed City budget reflects both merit and market increases for employees. I appreciate the City Council's support in this challenging endeavor.

Thank you for your kind letters and e-mails regarding outstanding performance you have noticed by our City employees. We try to recognize them through our Mayor's Awards, Ambassador Awards and On the Spot Awards. It truly is an honor for me to work with these fine individuals by serving as your mayor.

Sincerely,  
Mayor Lou Ann Christensen

## OUR NEWEST EVERYDAY HEROES



**INDIVIDUAL AWARD:**  
**BARBIE OSBORNE**



**TEAM AWARD:**  
**TEAM - USU**

Toni Mund, Jill Rasmussen, Jim Earl and Dr. Andy Shinkle

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Team Everyday  
Heroes, see  
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Citizens often ask questions about economic development in Brigham City. I want to give a quick update on what's been going on over the last few months.



Nucor is beginning to build their plant along Watery Lane. We've already seen positive results from the Nucor project. The developers of the shopping center on the corner of 1100 South and Main were considering not going forward with the project. The day after the Nucor announcement, the developers let the City know the project was going forward.

We are currently working with other local businesses. HyPerComp Engineering specializes in composite high-pressure vessels and composite structural applications. Some of their composite hydrogen tanks are being used by Toyota and Honda as they try to develop an automobile that will run on hydrogen fuel. HyPerComp is currently pursuing a project that could bring in 17 new jobs by 2010. The City is working with them to help make this project successful.

In part, because of the City's efforts, GEM Buildings will stay and expand in Brigham City. GEM had offers from local communities to move from Brigham City. Fortunately, GEM wanted to stay in Brigham. The City actively worked to keep GEM in Brigham City and helped them make their planned expansion possible. This expansion means over 50 new jobs over the next few years.

We are currently working on plans to develop the West Forest corridor. Some developers have already expressed an interest in developing the corridor. We are currently finalizing design guidelines that will ensure that West Forest becomes the premier gateway to tour City.

We are always looking for new businesses to come to Brigham; however, we are very selective in the businesses we pursue. We are looking for businesses that will help the City meet the goal of increasing the median income of Brigham City residents as a percentage of State median income by at least 10% by 2012.

Economic development is a high priority of the Mayor and City Council. We are working hard to build a strong economic base in Brigham. We feel we have been successful in our efforts so far, and will work to continue to make Brigham City a better place.

**Jon Adams will be missed. We wish him success with his new employment in Utah County.**

We say goodbye to a good friend and outstanding member of the City Council. Council Member Jon Adams has accepted a job in Utah County. He will be moving from Brigham City and has resigned as a member of the City Council. Jon has served as a member of the Council for ten years. We appreciate all he has done to serve our Community. He will be greatly missed.



**COUNCIL MEMBER**  
Jon Adams

Visit Brigham City's Website  
[www.brighamcity.utah.gov](http://www.brighamcity.utah.gov)

## ARE YOU READY FOR THE DISASTER?

Do you have enough food and water storage to last a minimum of 72 hours? Storage of food and water can be challenging and yet very rewarding when you have accomplished it. As you stock food take into account your families unique needs and tastes. Familiar foods are important. They lift moral and give a feeling of security in times of stress. Try to include foods that they will enjoy and that are also high in calories and nutrition. Foods requiring no refrigeration, water, special preparation, or cooking are best. Individuals with special diets and allergies will need particular attention, as will babies, toddlers and the elderly. Nursing mothers may need liquid formula, in case they are unable to nurse. Canned dietetic foods, juices, and soups may be helpful for ill or elderly people. Oh yes, be sure that you have a manual can opener and disposable utensils. Don't forget nonperishable foods for your pets.

### Storage Tips

- Keep food in a dry, cool spot (dark area if possible).
- Open food boxes and other re-sealable containers carefully so that you can close them tightly after each use.
- Wrap perishable foods, such as cookies and crackers, in plastic bags and keep them in sealed containers.
- Empty open packages of sugar, dried fruits, and nuts in screw-top jars or air-tight canisters for protection from pests.
- Inspect all food for signs or spoilage before use.
- Throw out canned goods that become swollen, dented, or corroded.
- Use foods before they go bad, and replace them with fresh supplies, dated with ink or marker. Place new items at the back of the storage area and older ones in the front.
- Explore the possible use of freeze dried foods. Freeze dried foods take some of the complications out of the storage of foods.

### Water is a Top Priority

Having an ample supply of clean water is a top priority in an emergency. A normal active person needs to drink at least two quarts (half gallon) of water each day. People in hot environments, children, nursing mothers, and ill people will require even more. Store at least one gallon per person, per day. Consider storing at least a two-week supply of water for each member of your family. Several storage options can be found on the web sites listed below. It is recommended that you purchase commercially bottled water. Keep bottled water in its original container, and do not open it until you need to use it. Store bottled water in the original sealed container, and observe the expiration or "use by" date. More information on storage of water and food can be found on the following websites: [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov) [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)  
[www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) [www.brighamcity.utah.gov](http://www.brighamcity.utah.gov)

## FLOOD MITIGATION AND PREVENTION



Public Works Departments and the Box Elder County inmate crew (a total of 11 men) cleared the creek of debris from the Mantua exit to 1200 West which took approximately one week to complete. The crew also cleaned 1,200 cubic yards of sediment out of the mouth of the Mayor's Pond. This work will allow for better flows through the

channel of the creek during spring run off and heavy storm flow. Currently the City engineer is in the process of designing for realignment and revetment (shoring up) of certain sections of the Box Elder Creek. This process will take months to design, review with the NRCS (Natural Resources Conservation Service) and construct.

If you live along the Box Elder Creek and notice any large debris blocking the channel, please contact the Streets Dept. at 723-5273. If you live along the Box Elder Creek and plan on any improvements to your property bordering the creek, please contact the Community Development Office at 734-6616. The City is very pro-active in preventing flooding along the Box Elder Creek corridor and with your help this partnership can be accomplished.

## INDIVIDUAL EVERYDAY HERO

**BARBIE OSBORNE** - Barbie & Richard Osborne manage the Howard Johnson Inn in Brigham City. They moved to Brigham in 2004 and immediately began to serve our community. Barbie decided to organize the serving of a holiday meal to seniors and families that might need a meal on Thanksgiving and Christmas. With the help of two employees, Jesse & Laura Braegger, they undertook this task on their own. The first Thanksgiving they prepared and served 130 meals by themselves and it took them all day.

Growing up in Illinois, Barbie remembers delivering holiday meals to her neighbors from the time she was a small girl. Her mother taught her that those who didn't have family needed family on the holidays. She promised her mother that she would not let this tradition die. And she has kept that promise. When they moved to Davis County in 1999, she immediately contacted Senior Centers to find those in need that might need a meal delivered on a holiday. She delivered Thanksgiving dinners from Bountiful to Hill Air Force Base for the next five years.

Thanksgiving & Christmas of 2006 marked the third year Barbie has organized holiday dinners for those in need in Brigham City. For the first two years Barbie purchased all the food herself. Last year the community decided to get involved and Maddox donated the turkeys, potatoes, rolls and raspberry butter. Pepperidge Farm donated cookies and people offered cash donations to help. Barbie decided to put an editorial in the News & Journal to see if volunteers would assist in delivering the meals. And she got more volunteers than she could use. She still prepares all the food herself, but over 30 volunteers showed up to pack and deliver 159 meals for Thanksgiving and over 100 meals for Christmas. She is planning to add Easter meals this spring.

Sometimes Barbie, Jesse & Laura feel their families are disappointed they are so late arriving to family celebrations; but they feel the families that are receiving these meals need them, too. Barbie insists holidays are about sharing with others, which is exactly what she does! Nominated by: Sharon Cassidy

## SPOTLIGHT DEPARTMENT-AMBULANCE

Brigham City Ambulance service is comprised of 30 paid on-call individuals who provide 24/7 coverage for Brigham City and the surrounding communities. The Ambulance Department operates under a license issued by the Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services. Brigham City currently holds an Intermediate license which allows for usage of some drugs and intervention procedures. The Ambulance Department members must receive 48 hours of continuing medical education each year and must recertify every 4 years through a series of written and practical tests. They also provide education (first aid and CPR) to the community. The members are compensated an hourly rate for each call that they respond to. Brigham City residents and residents of the surrounding communities are very fortunate to have these dedicated men and women provide these services. These people are true heroes.



## TEAM EVERYDAY HERO AWARD - (TEAM - USU)

For the past four years the student government at Utah State University Brigham City has undertaken the "Angels for Christmas" program. This year, student body president, **Toni Mund**, and Director of Student Services, **Jill Rasmussen** headed up this enormous task. Even though it falls during final exams, the student government donated many hours to make this event successful. There were five student government members and the student body took many "angels" from their tree and provided gifts for needy children. **Dr. Andy Shinkle** and **Jim Earl** provided much needed support throughout the drive.

Over the years several organizations have been involved in providing Christmas for those less fortunate; but, this year USUBC served the majority of our community on their own. This is a county-wide endeavor which begins with letters to business, ecclesiastical, and community leaders seeking support for the program. Various agencies within Box Elder County screen their clientele, making sure they meet the criteria and applications are submitted to USUBC.

At the same time, donations are starting to come in; some monetary, others offer to host an Angel Tree, and some donate their time. There is always the concern of whether or not they will be able to meet the needs. The student government leaders are always hoping the donations will be enough. The volunteers consist of businesses, service organizations, church groups, scouts, families, and individuals.

One of the most challenging problems is matching the gift with the child. Each child makes a wish list consisting of four needs and one want. The matching game gets intense as Christmas draws closer. As the gifts from the angel trees come in, they are matched to each child by number to ensure confidentiality.

The excitement builds as the program grows and the spirit of the season catches on with everyone involved. USUBC student government spent many long days volunteering their personal time and thoroughly enjoyed that time spent together - because of the spirit of giving. Toni says, "The most heartwarming part of this program is to watch the community get involved. Those giving the service get as much joy as those opening the presents on Christmas morning."

Over 180 families were served this past Christmas, including over 500 children with five gifts each. In the end, Box Elder County businesses and individuals always save the day with their generous donations totaling over \$10,000. Extra donated gifts were taken to the Community Food Pantry to be distributed with the holiday food boxes.

The community appreciates USUBC student government for their commitment to make a difference in our world!  
Nominated by: Sharon Cassidy

## DO YOU WANT TO GET MORE INVOLVED IN CITY GOVERNMENT?

The filing period for the Brigham City **November elections** begins July 1. This year there is an opening for three four-year term councilmember positions and one two-year councilmember position. You must state which position you wish to file for at the time of filing. The filing period begins July 1 and ends July 15 at 5:00 p.m. Each person seeking to become a candidate for office must file a Declaration of Candidacy in person with the City Recorder at 20 North Main. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. There is no filing fee. No applications can be received after 5:00 p.m. on July 15.

### Qualifications for a candidate are:

1. Be a United States citizen.
  2. Be at least 18 years old by the next municipal election.
  3. Be a resident of the municipality for 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the date of the election.
  4. Be a registered voter of the municipality.
- Questions - call Mary Kate Christensen, City Recorder, 734-6621.



**SENIOR CENTER EVENTS**  
For more information call the Senior Center at 723-3303.  
**May is Older American’s Month.** This year’s theme is “Older Americans: Making Choices for a Healthier Future”. Many activities will occur during the month including a senior talent open house, a yard sale and a dinner dance on May 11. A special event will occur on May 10 with pictures being taken for our first year-book!

**June** finds us enjoying the summer days with a trip to Willow Park for a picnic and our annual Mystery Trip. Also on the schedule is a trip to the Old Barn Theater to see Seussical, the Musical. Contact Sarah at 723-3303 for more information on all of these events.

**REGISTER FOR HERITAGE ARTS FESTIVAL CAR SHOW**

The Heritage Arts Festival wants you to participate in our car show. Bonneville’s Rod & Custom Car Club is teaming up with us for this event. Pre-registration is required for all cars as there is a 100 car limit (NO FEE REQUIRED). This event is to showcase the 50’s so the show is limited to cars manufactured in 1959 and earlier. Downtown Main Street will be closed to normal vehicle traffic during the festival, and show cars will be parked on the street. Dash plaques will be provided for each vehicle entry and five “Best Of” awards will be presented for Interior, Custom, Original, Paint and Best of Festival. A downloadable registration form can be found on the home page of the City at [www.brighamcity.utah.gov](http://www.brighamcity.utah.gov). Questions about the car show? Contact Jeff at 734-2746.

**“...ROCKIN’ AND ROLLIN’ INTO OUTER SPACE – JUNE 9, 2007**

Located on the Bill of Rights Plaza in beautiful downtown the Heritage Arts Festival is a celebration of the past, present and future! The Festival committee is in full swing planning the events for 2007. We are partnering with ATK Thiokol Launch Systems this year. Entertainment, artisans, quilts shows, and a 50’s car show on downtown Main Street and much, much more. If you want to be updated on the entertainment, plans and events of the festival log onto the city webpage [www.brighamcity.utah.gov](http://www.brighamcity.utah.gov) and sign up for Patron Mail! See you at the Festival on June 9! Questions contact Event Coordinator, Jolene Crockett at 435-734-6615.



of Dyers Woad with all plants showing at least two inches of root. Bag drop off will be at the Brigham City Green Waste site located at 1650 West Forest Street. Participants will be checked off of the sign up list and receive the \$10.00 bounty for their efforts. Watch for more information in the newspaper or call Donna at 734-6610

**DYER’S WOAD PROGRAM**

Brigham City will once again kick-off its dyers woad program on **Saturday, May 5, 2007**. Bags can be picked up that day at City Hall beginning at 9am. There will be 100 bags available, which will be handed out on a first come first served basis to youth ages 16 and under. Youth interested in participating are required to fill the bags with 40 pounds

**NATIONAL SENIOR HEALTH AND FITNESS DAY**

It is that time of year for us to be getting ready for the National Senior Health and Fitness Day in Brigham on May 30, 2007. Our theme this year is “Make Everyday a Fitness Day” Last year was a huge success with over 200 participants. We are hoping for over 400 this year. Brooke Walker from Studio 5 morning show on channel 5 will be our opening speaker. She is from Brigham and is so excited to come back to her hometown to help out. We have lots of fun activities planned for the day including horseshoes, bocce ball, ladder golf, and exercise in the pool, volleyball, archery and fishing with the DWR. We are asking many health care vendors to come and participate in taking blood sugars, blood pressures, done density tests and more. Informational booths will also be available with subjects like cancer screening, Alzheimer’s, elderly abuse, diabetes, home safety and more. We will have food vendors with many choices for lunch and dinner. A western band will perform under the bowery for a dance from 6:00-8:30 to end the events.

We are asking for sponsorship money (tax deductible) to help out with the costs for the day. Sponsors will be recognized on the t-shirts being worn by volunteers and participants, on the Senior Center web page, in our newsletter and in the 4 local newspapers. A Silver sponsor is \$250.00-500.00; Gold is \$500.00-750.00 and Platinum is \$750.00-1000.00. Thank you for your support. You can contact Sarah at the Senior Center 723-3303 or send the sponsorship check to Brigham City Senior Center, 24 N. 300 W, Brigham, UT 84302.

We also need volunteers throughout the day to keep everything running smoothly. We are hoping that your business would allow one or more volunteers to help for part of the day. Our seniors are always eager to help but we want them to be able to participate in all the activities. Please call Sharon Cassidy at 734-6609 to sign up to volunteer. Her hours are Monday-Thursday 8:00-12:00.

**MUSEUM GALLERY**

May 10 through June 16 - Paintings and photographs owned by ATK Launch Systems in Promontory will be displayed. ATK is the leading manufacturer of rocket motor systems for human and unmanned space launch vehicles, strategic missiles, prompt global strike missiles and missile defense interceptors.

Mark Waki’s painting of a shuttle with booster as it takes off the pad at Kennedy Space Center is included in the exhibition. Additional paintings by Waki depict the F-15 and other fighter planes used by the United States Air Force. Allan Eaton’s artwork about aircraft from the Wright brothers to the present is also featured. Mike Sutton’s photographs, notably an image of an early motor testing, will be an integral part of the show. Waki, Eaton and Sutton are ATK employees.

Marta Amundson of Riverton, Wyoming, will be the Featured Art Quilter at the museum’s 2007 Quilt Festival set for June 23 through Aug. 11. Amundson is a professional quilt maker and fiber artist, and her work has been exhibited all over the world. In 2001, Amundson won the prestigious American Folk Art Museum (New York) International Spirit of Design Competition. She creates quilts on women’s issues, world politics, her dreams and the environment. Amundson has taught quilt workshops in Europe, the United Kingdom, Australia and Brazil.

The museum is located at 24 North 300 West. Hours of operation are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturday. Admission is free.



**REGISTER FOR A VENDOR BOOTH AT THE 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION**

For the first time this year, Brigham City will have vendor booths at the 4th of July celebrations. Anyone interested in entering a booth may inquire at Brigham City Recreation, 20 North Main (basement) or call Kristy at 734-6606.

**WEST FOREST RECYCLING SITE SWITCHES TO SUMMER HOURS**

Wednesday through Saturday, 8:00 am. to 5:00 pm are the hours when someone will be present to help with sales of recycled products. The area has been fenced in a way that will allow green waste dumping at any time. We are asking you to operate on an honor system and dump only green waste. This recycling program has been a long time coming, and the only way it will succeed is with the help and cooperation of you, our customers. We are proud of our facility and of the quality of our products.

Products available and costs per cubic yard\* are:

Compost	\$20.00
Slag chip	\$10.00
River rock	\$50.00
Unprocessed topsoil	\$15.00
Course wood chip	\$10.00
Fine wood chip	\$10.00
Topsoil/compost mix	\$20.00
Dairy Compost	\$20.00
Unscreened fill dirt	\$ 5.00
Sand	\$ 7.00
Leaf mulch	\$20.00

\*The bed of a regular sized pickup truck will normally hold approximately two cubic yards.

**SPRING IS THE TIME TO CLEAN AND SPRUCE-UP YOUR HOMES, YARDS AND NEIGHBORHOODS**

The City will be holding its second annual City Pride Cleanup Week from Monday, April 28 to Saturday, May 6. Large bins will be located in parking lots at:

- Brigham City West Stake Center at 895 North 625 West
- John Adams Park at 100 North
- Across from Eagle Mountain Golf Course, 967 East 700 South
- Old Fire Station property at Forest Street and Main
- Adele C. Young Intermediate School in vacant lot at 800 West

There will be pallets for tires and batteries near the dumpsters.

The following items **may not** be dumped at these locations: Refrigerators, air conditioners or appliances. However, you may deliver these items to the Recycling Center located at 1650 West Forest, John Adams Park 100 North 500 East or at the Adele C Young 830 South 800 West.

Green Waste, grass clippings, tree branches may be taken to the Recycling Center at 1650 West Forest for free.

**No hazardous waste will be accepted.** This includes, but is not limited to, paints, solvents, household chemicals, pesticides, herbicides, and unidentified materials. Sponsored by the Neighborhood Pride Council.

**BRIGHAM CITY’S WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT SELLS AND DELIVERS COMPOST**



The cost for the compost is \$5.00 a cubic yard. Compost is offered all day on Thursday’s from 8 am to 3 pm. If Thursday doesn’t work, then please call the WWTP at 723-3146 and other arrangements can be made for sale and/or delivery of the compost. If you need the delivery service you pay \$5.00 per cubic yard, plus a \$10.00 delivery charge and \$.50 per mile round trip.

This compost meets all State and Federal requirements for “Class A” compost or “EQ” which stands for exceptional quality. This compost is a high quality product that can be used as a soil amendment or top dressing. The compost is produced by green waste and biosolids from the WWTP. This compost mixture is tested for chemical and bacterial properties and results must be reported annually to the Utah State Department of Environmental Quality and the United States Environmental Protection Agency. Additional information can be found on Brigham City’s website, [www.brighamcity.utah.gov/wastewater](http://www.brighamcity.utah.gov/wastewater).

**GREEN WASTE COLLECTION HAS BEGUN**

It’s that time of year again when your green refuse container can no longer be used for regular household waste. Cost for a green can is \$4.00 a month and you must sign up for a 12-month period. Beginning on November 5, 2007 you can use your green container again for regular household waste.

**DON’T PARK RECREATIONAL VEHICLES AND TRAILERS ON CITY STREETS**



Trailer on City Street

Over the past year the Neighborhood Pride Council has met with Police Chief Paul Tittensor, City Attorney’s Kirk Morgan and Greg Nielsen, and received input from concerned citizens to facilitate an ordinance regarding recreational vehicles and trailers that are parked on the city streets. On March 29, 2007 the City Council approved Ordinance No 10-15 which prohibits parking recreational vehicles and trailers on the city streets for a period longer than 72 hours. If you have questions contact Neighborhood Improvement Coordinator Judy Loveland 734-6617. You can read the entire ordinance on Brigham City’s web page at: [www.brighamcity.utah.gov](http://www.brighamcity.utah.gov)

The Neighborhood Pride Council would like to thank the “Citizens of Brigham City for striving to make Brigham City a safer place to live.” Neighborhood Pride Council members are: **Stan Williams, Reed Burke, Pat Williams, Dee Garvin, Jerry Hilton, & Bonnie Germer.**



Snowmobiles on Parking Strip



**IT'S TIME TO REGISTER FOR RECREATION PROGRAMS**

Brigham City Recreation is accepting registration forms through the month of April for T-Ball, Coach Pitch Softball/Baseball, Ponytail Softball, Minor League Baseball, Major League Baseball, Pony League Baseball, and Awesome Adventures. Registration for Tennis and Fly Casting Class will be held in May. Information about any of these activities can be obtained on the website at [www.brighamcity.utah.gov](http://www.brighamcity.utah.gov) under the "Things To Do" tab or by calling the Recreation Department at 734-6606 or 734-6610.

Swimming Lesson Registration will begin on May 1st at 8:00 am. The cost for lessons is \$20 for Mom and Tot Class and \$30 for all other lessons. Sessions are 40 minutes long and will be taught Monday through Thursday for 2 weeks. The 1st session will begin June 11, 2nd session on June 25, 3rd session July 9th, 4th session July 23, 5th session on August 6th. Any questions can be answered by calling Donna at 734-6610 or by visiting our website.

If you would like to receive email updates and notifications about Recreation activities, go to our website and sign up for PatronMail on the front page of the site. [www.brighamcity.utah.gov](http://www.brighamcity.utah.gov)

**PLANNING FOR THE ACADEMY PROJECT IN DOWNTOWN BRIGHAM CITY IS CONTINUING**

The Academy Project Steering Committee is currently concentrating on completion of an updated master plan for the overall project, and detailed planning for the interior function of the building. This planning work should be complete by late spring and we hope to have some work on the building commence this summer, with funding provided through a grant from HUD that was secured through the efforts of **Senator Bennett and Representative Bishop**. A fundraising effort for the remainder of the project will also begin in earnest with completion of the master plan. This is an important project for the revitalization of downtown Brigham City, as well as for the cultural, community, and economic development of Brigham City and Box Elder County.

**SENATOR BOB BENNETT TO HOST 6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL RURAL BUSINESS CONFERENCE EXPO**

Join Senator Bob Bennett and the Utah Rural Development Council for a two-day small business conference to be held on May 30 and 31 on the campus of Utah State University in Logan, Utah. Keynoting the conference will be Steven Preston, administrator for the U.S. Small Business Administration and Alan Hall, founder and chairman of MarketStar. **For information, contact Jared Perry at (801) 524-5933. [www.ruralutah.com](http://www.ruralutah.com)**

This year's conference will again provide an opportunity for small business owners and community leaders to meet and hear from experts as they discuss their success stories and insights to keep businesses thriving in the twenty-first century. Come and participate in exciting and educational breakout sessions that include:

- Entrepreneurial Agriculture
- Maximizing Effectiveness: Improving Personal and Team Productivity
- Will it Blend? Innovative Marketing Techniques for a New Era
- Deal or No Deal: Taking the Guesswork out of Small Business Financing
- Beyond Crops: Diversifying Farm Revenue
- Out of Sight, Out of Mind? Visibility Through Brand Awareness
- Blogging With Purpose

**Everyday Hero Nomination Form - SUMMER 2007**

To nominate an individual and/or team, please complete this form along with a single page essay telling why you are nominating them.

**Nomination Due Date: 13 June 2007**

Nominee Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**To be eligible** Nominee(s) must be a resident(s) of Brigham City and working to make our community a better place to live.

Name of Individual Submitting Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Return Form and essay to:** [sbrailsford@brighamcity.utah.gov](mailto:sbrailsford@brighamcity.utah.gov)  
or, Sharon Brailsford, Mayor's Office, 20 No. Main, Brigham City UT 84302



**VOLUNTEERS IN POLICE SERVICE**

Citizens on Patrol (COPS) again provided more services this year than the previous year. Volunteers contributed a total of 978 hours in 2006, which in dollars equated about \$17,500. New assignments such as the City Safety Fair, National Senior Day, and a full High School sports calendar were a few venues where COPS volunteers teamed with sworn officers to provide a safe and enjoyable event for the citizens of Brigham City.

A generous grant from Wal-Mart provided funds to help with equipment and other costs. Expenses for 2006 were under \$800 thus continuing to provide the citizens of the city a great service for minimal expense. COPS always welcomes additional volunteers and supports regularly held Citizens Police Academies which volunteers must attend. After completion of the academy volunteers participate in community events as additional eyes and ears of sworn law-enforcement officers and as points of contact for citizens with inquiries.

We are currently accepting registrations for the next Citizens Police Academy. If you are interested in registering, please contact Lt. Mike Nelsen at 734-6650.

Neighborhood Watch is now fully represented on the VIPS committee. There are now Neighborhood Watch area leaders in place ready to accept and train participants in all six areas of the City. Unlike COPS, the Citizens Academy is not required for participation.

Neighborhood Watch is a national program effective in the fight against crime by using citizen participation and involvement through communication, awareness and observation, and concern for one another. Through minimal effort and participation, Neighborhood Watch combined with local law enforcement is effective in the fight against crime.

Neighborhood Watch participants not only "watch" as the name implies, but participants also receive information and training about personal and home safety as well as crime prevention. Everyone is invited to consider participating in this great community program. Inquiries can be made to the Police Department at 734-6650.



**TOUR DE CURE COMES TO BRIGHAM CITY ON JUNE 9TH**

The American Diabetes Association will sponsor the fourth annual Tour de Cure event in Brigham City on June 9th. Tour de Cure is a series of cycling events held in more than 80 cities nationwide to benefit the American Diabetes Association. The Tour is a ride, not a race, with routes designed for everyone from the occasional rider to the experienced cyclist. For the second year in a row, Greg Lemond, the first American cyclist to win the Tour de France, will be in attendance at the Brigham City Tour de Cure. In 2006, Brigham City Tour de Cure cyclists raised over \$187,000 for diabetes, advocacy and information. There are three fully supported routes, 100 miles, 60 miles, and 25 miles. Cyclists will enjoy a continental breakfast, a well-marked route, rest stops complete with restrooms, water and snacks, a fabulous lunch provided by Fazoli's and support from dedicated volunteers and supporters. There will be a post-ride Fitness Festival with local entertainment and a fabulous dinner sponsored by Sugarhouse Barbecue. Information about diabetes and fitness will be available at the various information booths, and there will be an Awards Ceremony and prize drawing. Pre-event activities will include local training rides, early registration opportunities, bike shop seminars and much more. Fund-raising tools, weekly emails and online support is provided to all registered riders to help everyone reach their goals. You can learn more about the Tour de Cure at [www.tour.diabetes.org](http://www.tour.diabetes.org).

**ARE YOU PART OF THE ALERT NOTIFICATION "CITY WATCH" SYSTEM?!**

Two years ago Brigham City and Box Elder County purchased "City Watch" a reverse 9-1-1 alert notification system. This system is designed to notify residents of the county in the event of some type of disaster, special events, missing persons, etc. The system works primarily off the Qwest telephone data base. The system does not have access to cell phone or computer generated phone number data bases.

The system notifies the residents based upon the number of phone numbers that are stored within the data base. It has the capability of notifying a person through, a work number, home number, cell phone and pager.

Since the purchase of this system, Brigham City has used it several times to alert residents of emergency events happening within the city. It has been used for missing children, flood watch warning, and advisories from the utility departments (freezing pipe precautions). It is also used by various city departments to contact their department employees or supervisors of meetings and test emergency notifications. It is currently being tested to contact emergency services personnel in the event their paging system fails.

Over the past 2 years, the system has been able to contact over 86 percent of the people it is trying to contact of an event, emergency or test. It has 100 percent contact success with those who use it to contact a developed list of people. A printed report is generated explaining who was contacted, who was not, why they were not (no answer, line busy or operator intercept).

Are you part of the system? Do you have an unlisted phone number, use a computer telephone system, or use a cell phone only? If you want to be part of the alert notification system, please contact Brigham City Emergency Services at 723-4071 and provide your name and phone numbers. This system is used only for emergencies and is not used for non emergency uses or telemarketing activities. This information is kept confidential and is available only to authorized individuals for use.

This system is one more tool to alert residents of impending emergencies. The system was purchased using homeland security funds.

**HOW'S THE CURRENT IN THE ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT**

Wind is the Word! Brigham City would like to harness its Class 6 wind potential located at the mouth of Sardine Canyon and install at least one 1.5 megawatt wind energy turbine unit which continues to be one of the worlds' most widely used wind turbines in its class. Developing a wind project in Brigham City would deploy dependable, affordable and environmentally responsible energy. The energy produced from one turbine would supply power for more than 300 homes.



Maybe you have noticed the 60 meter tower standing just east of the Brigham City Power Plant. The tower is equipped with Campbell Scientific Instrumentation that consists of wind speed sensors located from 10 to 60 meters high on the tower. These meters sense the wind direction and make assessment. The data is then sent to a meteorologist for the wind resource study. A survey is also ongoing to ensure protection of the migrating avian population.

**UTOPIA UPDATE**

In August of 2006, UTOPIA received approval for \$60 million of funding through the Rural Utilities Service Rural Broadband program. This funding will complete construction of the UTOPIA fiber optic network in five UTOPIA cities, including Brigham City. Since that time, UTOPIA has been working very hard to complete the arduous process of finalizing closing documents for the funding. Due to the complexity of the process, it has taken much longer than originally anticipated. However, this process is now complete. Engineering for the Brigham City portion of the network is also complete and construction bids are currently being solicited for the project. Bids will be opened at the end of April, and construction should begin shortly thereafter. The current schedule for construction will complete the Brigham City portion of the network by February of 2008. Much of the City will be able to utilize the network long before that date, since the network is designed in such a way that services will be available as it is built. This has been a long process but we are excited that the long anticipated date when the project will commence in Brigham City is near.

If you want to hear more about UTOPIA and how you can benefit as a citizen and a business, an informational meeting has been scheduled on Tuesday, May 8, 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm, at the EMS Facility, 442 West Forest Street.

**PATRONMAIL AVAILABLE ON CITY'S WEBSITE AT [www.brighamcity.utah.gov](http://www.brighamcity.utah.gov)**

This new technology allows you to sign up on the Brigham City website and receive emails on information that YOU want including information about festivals, concerts, recreational programming, etc. Watch for the link on the Home Page and sign up to be in the know for happenings in the City and County.